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SUBJECT: AYMAN NOUR REQUESTS THE SECRETARY PUSH GOE FOR AN

OCTOBER 6 AMNESTY

REF: CAIRO 6105

Classified By: Minister Counselor for Economic and Political Affairs
William R. Stewart, for reasons 1.5 (b) and (d).

¶1. (C) Summary: In a letter to the Secretary, imprisoned Al Ghad Party leader Ayman Nour requests that during her upcoming visit to Cairo, th exempt Nour from the lengthy ban on political activities that would otherwise be in force following a release from prison. In an October 1 meet

Summary.

¶2. (C) In an October 1 meeting, poloff queried Gameela Ismail about Nour's willingness to accept a health-based pardon, versus amnesty granted President Mubarak, the Prosecutor-General, and the Tora Prison doctor (the three officials who reportedly have the right to grant such a pardon

¶3. (C) Ismail said that the "Committee for Forensic Medicine" (under the Prosecutor-General's Office) had visited Nour a month ago, in respons

¶4. (C) Ismail gave poloff a letter from Nour to the Secretary (text of Embassy translation at para 6), in which he requests the Secretary advc

¶5. (C) Poloff reiterated to Ismail the Ambassador's standing invitation to meet. Ismail said that she would like to meet with the Ambassador

¶6. (C) Begin text of Embassy translation of Nour letter:

Madam Doctor --

From behind thick bars and a place beyond the sun's reach, I welcome you.

I do not know whether or not I will be able to smuggle this letter to you before the date of your arrival in Cairo. And I do not know that if
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present a flower bouquet with this welcome, as a token of friendship, I will attempt to present old and new quotes which will bear what I wish

Quote 1: (1300 BC), Source: An old Egyptian papyrus that dates back to 1300 BC and is in the British Museum under the number 10060. In it, the

Quote 2: (March 1919), Source: The shouts of Egyptians during March and April 1919, when the first civic revolution in modern Egyptian history to self-determination. The second scene is the same masses shouting against Wilson when he acknowledged the British mandate in Egypt.

Quote 3: (1953), Source: A paragraph in a book by a famous writer that President Nasser imprisoned for years on the pretext that he had relatic

"The American loves speed, and that is the secret behind the alliance between American policy and dictatorships, but what it gains quickly, it it buys a plane, and just like that it pays the price of the train doubled! Maybe America gains a lot when it exports to us arms and cars or pl of years, for the friendship of peoples live forever, because the peoples do not die, but governments change like the winter weather.

Quote 4: (1992), Source: An anecdote that my professor Dr. Vitali Naoeken told in Moscow, at the Orientalism Institution. He said to me, "Do yo sixth is Japanese - what would each of them do for you? The Russian will jump after you to rescue you, but you have to know that he does not k

Quote 5: (2005), Source: A meeting with your Excellency at the Cairo Airport Sheraton, during the first half of 2005 after the famous American revolving doors would hit us in the face if we try to enter or pass.

Quote 6: (December 2005), Source: An article by the renowned American writer Jackson Diehl, dated December 13, under the headline "Mubarak Outc
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and to finish the future of liberal reformers, to confront the U.S. with a choice between continuing his rule and then that of his son or that

Quote 7: (September 2006), Source: President Bush's recent Wall Street Journal interview where he revealed that he talked to Gamal Mubarak abou

The Final Quote: (September 21, 2006), Source: President Mubarak's closing speech during the National Democratic Party conference, announcing t Also, the President and his son refused to answer the request by 110 members of the Egyptian Parliament, to act in accordance with Article 149

Gracious Doctor, when you refused to come to Cairo in February 2005, you said that you refuse to come to Cairo as a "planting priest" (sic). A jailer are trying to prevent from reaching you and all those who are free or call for freedom in the world.

Dear Madam, what makes me take this risk which involves many threats that can aggravate my dilemma, is not just concern for my threatened life, course completely untrue, but also far removed from a public accusation. That is the forgery!

A sentence of 5 years imprisonment was issued, but the more shocking surprise is that this sentence bans me for 12 years afterwards from practi

This sentence and its consequences are unavoidable unless a Presidential Amnesty is granted under Article 149 of the constitution. Nobody othe I would like to emphasize that my life is now in great danger because of the conditions in my prison, and specifically the harsh conditions tha

On October 6, after 48 hours, President Mubarak will issue) on the occasion of the October War and the start of his rule - amnesty for thousar

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hours before the President's decision on amnesty is announced) to examine me, and of course if there are no specific instructions or a decision

Asking that the President issue an amnesty decree regarding my case, on October 6, together with the thousands of criminal prisoners expected to be released then is an urgent request at this time. And i

We stand before a final sentence, there is no road that they have not closed, and we have no other way forward except a presidential amnesty i Thank you very much in advance for the sincere efforts you exert.

Dr. Ayman Nour
Tora Ranch General Prison
South Cairo
September 30, 7 Ramadan
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